



Stephenson Memorial Library

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SML-POL-08: Technology and Computer Use Policy

Stephenson Memorial Library offers public access computers and 24/7 wireless access in a mixed-age public library environment to meet the information technology needs of its community. This policy governs internet use over our access points within range, both inside and outside the building.

- The Library does not censor/control content of information available on the internet. The responsibility for children's access rests solely with the parent/guardian. The library will not serve in loco parentis to monitor children's access.
- The Library does not assume responsibility for any information transmitted or received while using Library equipment or access.
- The library is not responsible for any damage to patron data that is being accessed with library equipment plugged into outlets or USB ports, or connected to the library's public WiFi.
- The Library cannot guarantee secure connections. Patrons are advised to use standard antivirus protection to prevent unauthorized access to their personal devices.
- It is NOT recommended to transmit any sensitive personal or financial information on public access computers.
- No more than two people may work at a public computer station at any one time.
- Sessions may be limited if patrons are waiting. Courtesy is expected and appreciated.
- It is the policy of this library to prohibit the use of its computers for any purpose that is prohibited by law, including but not limited to hacking or other attempts at unauthorized access, or the transmission of information that is libelous, that infringes any copyright, violates any applicable licensing agreement, or is intended to harass, intimidate, threaten, or defraud. Displaying adult content material, digital or print, in public view will result in an automatic 30-day suspension of all library privileges.
- Misuse or abuse of library resources or willful and malicious damage to equipment may result in the immediate suspension of library privileges and/or prosecution of criminal charges [RSA 202-A:24]. Reinstatement of privileges requires a written request for an appointment with the Library's Board of Trustees.

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